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West Valley City Celebrates Renaming of 3100 South to Rosa Parks Drive

West Valley City – During a brief ceremony on Thursday, November 15, the West Valley City Council and Utah NAACP representatives officially unveiled Rosa Parks Drive, the portion of 3100 South running from Decker Lake Drive (2210 West) to Cultural Center Drive (1400 West), paying tribute to one of the most influential civil rights icons in history. The unveiling comes exactly seven years to the day after the West Valley City Council committed to naming a street in honor of Parks.

"I was honored to pay tribute to Rosa Parks in 2005 at her Capitol Rotunda viewing in Washington," said Mayor Pro Tem Corey Rushton. "It is exciting to see our local tribute to Ms. Parks come to fruition with the newly renamed Rosa Parks Drive leading to the Utah Cultural Celebration Center. It perfectly complements the vision of the Center – celebrating the diversity of our community."

"I had the pleasure of meeting Rosa Parks who is an icon to our civil rights movement and I am privileged to pay tribute to her with the unveiling of Rosa Parks Drive in West Valley City," said NAACP Salt Lake Branch President Jeanetta Williams. "Today is a momentous occasion."